

A newsletter from East View highlighting census data from around the world

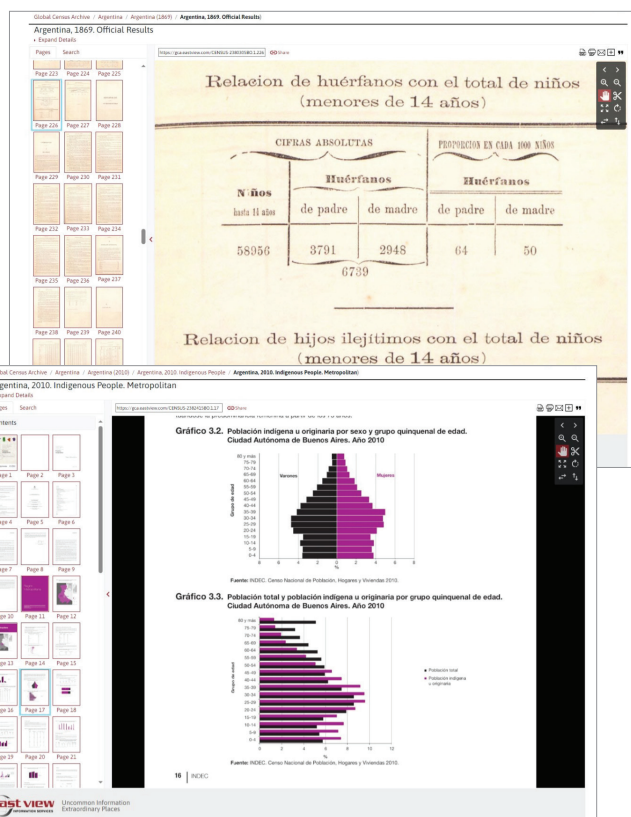
DISCOVER ARGENTINA WITH THE GLOBAL CENSUS ARCHIVE

Argentina has been a focal point of social science research in Latin America due to its economic influence as a major agricultural exporter and its political shifts between democracy and military rule, with its 1983 return to democracy marking a key moment for regional stability. The country has a well-established history of census-taking. The first national census was conducted in 1869, and after the establishment of the National Institute of Statistics and Censuses (INDEC, in its Spanish acronym) in 1968, the country's demographic changes have been documented in its decennial censuses.

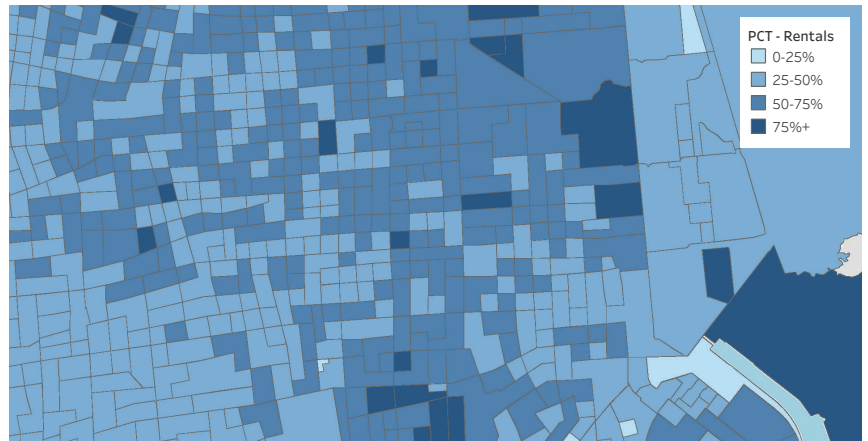
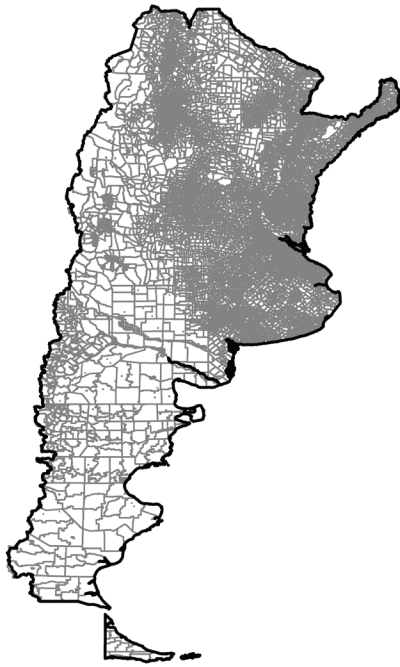
Over time, INDEC has refined its methodologies to adapt to a growing and diverse population. For instance, the 1980 census introduced sampling techniques alongside full enumeration, and the 1991 census added questions on health coverage and pensions. The 2001 census expanded its focus by including questions on disability, indigenous heritage, and household technology. The 2022 census incorporated questions on gender identity following the legalization of same-sex marriage in 2010.

The Argentina collection in the Global Census Archive (GCA) offers comprehensive coverage of the country's official publications dating back to 1869. These publications include tabular data as well as supplementary materials such as enumerator manuals and questionnaires published by INDEC.

Furthermore, the GCA Argentina collection offers three GIS sets for census data from 1991, 2001, and 2010. GIS data is a valuable tool for visualizing demographic trends, enabling researchers to interpret statistical information more effectively. By mapping population distribution, economic activity, and social patterns, researchers can uncover regional disparities, migration trends, and urbanization processes with greater clarity.



Argentina, 1869. Official Results, p. 175. Global Census Archive. <https://gca.eastview.com/CENSUS-2380305B0.1.226> (top) and Argentina, 2010. Indigenous People. Metropolitan, p. 16. Global Census Archive. <https://gca.eastview.com/CENSUS-2382415B0.1.17> (bottom).



ADM 4/0 Boundaries for all of Argentina (left) and visualization of rental property characteristics in Buenos Aires using Argentina 2010 GIS census data (right).

The Argentina GIS sets are organized to accommodate both experienced GIS users and novice researchers. The census GIS sets are produced through a meticulous process that combines tabular data with vector data. After sourcing data from official GIS and tabular releases, as well as from local partners, the information is categorized into themes based on the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) metadata standard topic categories.¹ For example, the 1991 census set includes four themes: demographic, social, migration, and housing, all based on census responses. Each set offers 100% coverage of the population and is accompanied by detailed census guides.

The Global Census Archive presents both GIS sets and official publications from Argentina on a platform designed for easy and consistent access. Researchers are encouraged to explore data from Argentina and delve deeper into its rich history.

¹ There are six themes in the International Organization for Standards (ISO) metadata standard topic categories: Demographic, Economic, Housing, Migration, Social, and Transportation. The availability of these themes depends on what the census organization provides or what East View can acquire through partnerships on the ground. While the goal is always to secure the most comprehensive and detailed data possible, there are instances where only three themes may be available.

Further reading on Argentina and Census Data:

- Buenos Aires Times, "Argentina's birth rate is declining – but the challenges are multiplying": <https://www.batimes.com.ar/news/argentina/argentinas-birth-rate-is-declining-but-the-challenges-are-multiplying.phtml>
- Clarín, "Censo 2020: por primera vez se preguntará sobre la identidad de género": https://www.clarin.com/sociedad/censo-2020-primera-vez-preguntara-identidad-genero_0_R-UdmAepk.html
- INDEC, "Censos": <https://www.indec.gob.ar/indec/web/Nivel3-Tema-2-41>
- Wikipedia, "Censo Nacional de Población, Hogares y Viviendas en la Argentina": https://es.wikipedia.org/wiki/Censo_Nacional_de_Poblaci%C3%B3n%2C_Hogares_y_Viviendas_en_la_Argentina



The East View **Global Census Archive**® (GCA) is an innovative program to collect official data and publications issued by the national census authorities of more than 200 countries, from the early 19th century to the present day, providing a key resource for scholars and analysts to find current and historical census data to support critical research into our changing world. GCA provides a single platform experience to explore the world's census publications: all countries and regions, the complete depth of published census materials, including original census publications in e-book form, as well as modern tabular data in Excel format and GIS files for advanced users.